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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

DIETER STROH et al.

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Examiner: D. Patel

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For: TOOL FOR AN ULTRASOUND WELDING DEVICE COMPRISING
A REINFORCING ELEMENT FOR REDUCING THE DEVIATION
OF THE WORKING SURFACE OF THE TOOL

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants' attorney is appreciative of the interview granted by Examiners Kerns and Patel on September 23, 2008.

At that interview, Applicants' attorney discussed the substance of the Amendment filed on September 19, 2008, incorporating the recitations of Claim 16 into Claim 14. It was moreover pointed out that the purpose of the invention was to prevent radial deflections in a sonotrode which transfers ultrasonic vibrations in the longitudinal direction, whereas the rotary sonotrode of the Neuwirth et al reference relied specifically on radial deflections.

The Examiners indicated that based upon the content of the Amendment, further consideration and/or search would likely be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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